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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Akira Nakano et al.

Appln. No.: 10/043,739

Filed: January 9, 2002

For: Plasma Processing Apparatus And
System, Performance
Validation System And Inspection
Method Therefor

Examiner: MaGee, Christopher

Art Unit: 2653

Attorney Docket No: 9281-4241

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.



Applicant is:



a small entity, verified statement is:



attached



already filed



other than small entity



The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:



Attached is a check for the § 1.17(h) fee.



Charge the § 1.17(e) fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

A duplicate copy of this request is attached.

A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission(s) is(are)
filed herewith:

An Information Disclosure Statement

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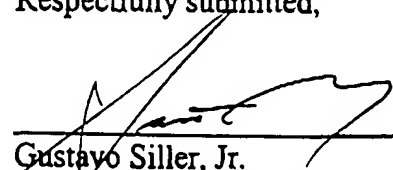
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- ☒ Petition to Withdraw From Issue Under 37 CFR § 1.313
- ☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
- ☐ Other: Amendment
- ☐ A petition and fee for an extension of the time is enclosed herewith.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770 and \$130 to cover the RCE filing fee and Petition Fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this request is attached.

Dated: September 27, 2004

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